

To Whom It May Concern:

I hope the FCC makes no moves to remove the 5wpm Morse code requirement to operate amateur radio below 30MHz. Not only is CW operation an important tradition, but also could very well prove useful during an emergency situation to conserve power and bandwidth. 5wpm is not difficult to learn well enough to pass the exam. If nothing else, passing the 5wpm exam demonstrates that the applicant really "wants" to have his license, and probably cuts down on the type of people who would be poor operators. I think it is unfortunate that the 13wpm and 20wpm requirements have been removed, and I sincerely hope the 5wpm requirement is kept. Thank you.

Regards,

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